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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB, VS

SUBJECT: BATU CONVENTION

1. CVT VICE PRESIDENT PHAM VAN VY DEPARTING SAIGON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, FOR HONG KONG TO ATTEND CONFERENCE OF ASIAN TRADE UNIONISTS (BATU) AT SUN YA HOTEL ON NATHAN ROAD. OTHER DELEGATES ARE EXPECTED FROM INDIA, SRI LANKA, INDONESIA, THAILAND, KOREA AND PHILIPPINES. VY PREPARED TO PROPOSE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY DELEGATES QUOTE WHEREAS THE NORTH VIETNAM GOVERNMENT HAS SHOWN COMPLETE DISREGARD FOR THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27, 1973 BY ITS MILITARY VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASEFIRE BEGINNING ON THE VERY FIRST DAY OF THE BVNXQRJV1NMGMA WHEREAS THE CURRENT NORTH VIETNAM-DIRECTED COMMUNIST MILITARY OFFENSIVE PROVIDES CLEAR PROOF OF THE COMMUNIST INTENTION TO TAKE OVER SOUTH VIETNAM BY MILITARY FORCE JEOPARDIZING THE VERY EXISTENCE OF THE CVT, PARA WHEREAS THERE CONTINUES IN SOUTH VIETNAM SENSELESS AND BRUTAL KILLING OF INNOCENT PEOPLE WHO WISH ONLY TO LIVE IN PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP WITH ALL THEIR NEIGHBORS AND THE ENTIRE WORLD, AND PARA WHEREAS THE WORLD CONFEDERATION OF LABOR, THE PARENT BODY OF BATU, HAS ON
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JANUARY 22, 1975 ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE SUPPORTING THE RESOLUTION

PASSED IN THE OCTOBER 1974 CONVENTION OF THE VIETNAM CONFEDERATION OF LABOR WHICH URGED ALL SIGNATORIES TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT TO ADOPT ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO STOP THE WAR IMMEDIATELY. PARA THEREFORE WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE BATU EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1) FORMALLY SUPPORT THE JANUARY 22, 1975 WORLD CONFEDERATION OF LABOR COMMUNIQUE WHICH IN EFFECT CALLS FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE. 2) URGE ALL MEMBERS OF THE BATU BROTHERHOOD OF UNIONS TO DEMAND AN END TO THE CURRENT NORTH VIETNAM MILITARY AGGRESSION AGAINST SOUTH VIETNAM WHICH IS CAUSING UNTOLD SUFFERING TO WORKERS AND FARMERS OF SOUTH VIETNAM. 3) REQUEST THAT ALL VIETNAMESE SIGNATORIES TO THE PARIS AGREEMENT REOPEN TALKS IN ORDER TO PUT AN END TO THE WAR BASED ON THE RIGHTS OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE TO CHOOSE FREELY AND DEMOCRATICALLY THE TYPE OF GOVERNMENT IT WANTS AS CLEARLY AGREED TO BY ALL PARTIES IN CHAPTER 4, ARTICLES 9 - 12

2. WE TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION IN THE HOPE THAT USIS/HONG KONG CAN ARRANGE FOR MAXIMUM MEDIA COVERAGE OF IT.
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